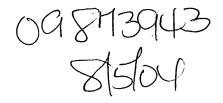
Listing of Claims:



Claims 1-26: cancelled.

27. (Currently amended) A method for notifying a user that the user may monitor a forwarded <u>first</u> call that was initially an incoming call to the user from a caller party and was thereafter forwarded to a remote service system, the method comprising:

determining with a system independent of a serving switch a redirecting number from which the incoming call was forwarded;

initiating a second call to the user;

establishing a <u>one-way</u> voice path connecting the forwarded call to the second call; and

notifying the user that the user may monitor the forwarded call.

- 28. (Cancelled)
- 29. (Previously presented) The method of claim 27 wherein notifying the user comprising sending a distinct ring from the serving switch to the user.
- 30. (Previously presented) The method of claim 27 wherein the voice path is established using a bridging circuitry.
- 31. (Previously presented) The method of claim 27 wherein the voice path is established using digital signaling processing.
- 32. (Previously presented) The method of claim 27 wherein the voice path is established using packet voice transmission and processing.
 - 33. (Previously presented) The method of claim 27 further comprising: providing a two-way voice path between the user and the caller; and detaching the remote service from the forwarded call.

- 34. (Previously presented) The method of claim 33 wherein the two-way voice path is provided after the user elects to override the forwarded call.
- 35. (Previously presented) The method of claim 34 wherein the user elects to override the forwarded call by pressing a telephone key.
- 36. (Previously presented) The method of claim 34 wherein the user elects to override the forwarded call speaking into the telephone handset.
- 37. (Previously presented) The method of claim 27 wherein the bridge and control component is incorporated with the remote service system.
- 38. (Previously presented) The method of claim 27 wherein the bridge and control component is established independent of the remote service system.
- 39. (Previously presented) The method of claim 27 wherein the system independent of the serving switch comprises a bridge and control component.
- 40. (Previously presented) A system that notifies and allows a user to monitor a forwarded <u>first</u> call that was initially an incoming call to the user from a caller and was thereafter forwarded to a remote service system, the system comprising:

a system independent of a serving switch to determine a redirecting number from which the incoming call was forwarded and initiate a second call to the user and notify the user that the user may monitor the forwarded call, wherein the bridge and control subsystem or component establishes a <u>one-way</u> voice path connecting the forwarded call to the second call.

41. (Cancelled)

42. (Previously presented) The system of claim 40 wherein the system independent of the serving switch comprises a bridge and control component.

- 43. (Previously presented) The system of claim 42 wherein the bridge and control component directs the serving switch to send a distinct ring from the to the user to notify the user that the user may monitor the forwarded call.
- 44. (Previously presented) The system of claim 42 wherein the bridge and control component directs the serving switch to provide a two-way voice path between the user and the caller and to detach the remote service from the forwarded call.
- 45. (Previously presented)The system of claim 44 wherein the two-way voice path is provided after the user elects to override the forwarded call.
- 46. (Previously presented) The system of claim 42 wherein the bridge and control component is incorporated with the remote service system.
- 47. (Previously presented) The system of claim 42 wherein the bridge and control component is established independent of the remote service system.
- 48. (Previously presented) The system of claim 40 wherein the voice path is established using a bridging circuitry.
- 49. (Previously presented) The system of claim 40 wherein the voice path is established using digital signaling processing.
- 50. (Previously presented) The system of claim 40 wherein the voice path is established using packet voice transmission and processing.
- 51. (Previously presented) The system of claim 50 wherein the user elects to override the forwarded call by pressing a telephone key.
- 52. (Previously presented) The system of claim 50 wherein the user elects to override the forwarded call speaking into the telephone handset.